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What the White Affair means: McCarthyism now is official U.S. policy

By Lawrence Emery

UNTIL last week apologists for the Eisenhower Cadillac Crusade had a standard excuse for the Joe McCarthy wing of the Administration: the President, personally and privately, abhorred McCarthy and his techniques, tolerated them only for the sake of GOP unity upon advice of his political strategists.

On Nov. 6 Eisenhower himself uncorked a McCarthy low blow that made the Wisconsin Senator seem like a school-yard bully in knee-pants. Atty.-Gen. Herbert Brownell Jr., in a speech OK'd by the President, charged that Harry S. Truman had knowingly promoted "a Russian spy" to a top and most responsible government post. In effect, it was a charge of little less than treason against a former President.

"KNOWN TO BE A SPY": Speaking to a Chicago businessmens' club, Brownell said the late Harry Dexter White was promoted early in 1946 from Asst. Secy. of the Treasury to Exec. Dir. for the U.S. of the Intl. Monetary Fund, despite FBI reports tagging him as a spy. Brownell said he could

". . . now announce officially, for the first time in public, that records in my Dept. show White's spying activities for the Soviet government were reported in detail by the FBI to the White House, by means of a report delivered to President Truman through his military aide, Brig. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan, in Dec., 1945."

For elaboration, he added:

"White was known to be a Communist spy by the very people who appointed him to the most sensitive and important positions he ever held in government service. The FBI became aware of White's espionage activities at an early point in his government career, and from the beginning made reports on these activities to the oppropriate officials in authority."

"THEY'RE SCARED": Later, Presidential press secy. James Hagerty told re-

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Harry White's creed

On Aug. 13, 1948, Harry Dexter White appeared voluntarily before the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Denying all the charges against him as "unqualifiedly false," he said this about himself:

My creed is the American creed. I believe in freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of thought, freedom of the press, freedom of criticism and freedom of movement. . . .

I believe in the right and duty of every citizen to work for, to expect and to obtain an increasing measure of political, economic and emotional security for all. I am opposed to discrimination in any form. . . .

I believe in the freedom of choice of one's representatives in government, untrammeled by machine guns, secret police or a police state. I am opposed to arbitrary and unwarranted use of power or authority from whatever source or against any individual or group.

I believe in a government of law, not of men, where law is above any man, and not any man above law.

I consider these principles sacred. I regard them as the basic fabric of our American way of life, and I believe in them as living realities, not as words on paper.

That is my creed. Those are the principles I have worked for. Together those are the principles that I have been prepared in the past to fight for and am prepared at any time to defend with my life if need be.

The spectators applauded. Three days later Harry White was dead.

The issue of our times: Fear and reaction — or courage and progress

The all-out campaign is on to smear everything decent as personified by F.D.R. and the New Deal, and to try to make certain that these ideals will not return. It will be up to the people to decide. To help that decision—as it must be, for progress—we present on this page the facts on the White affair and the background.

C. B. BALDWIN: BEHIND THE JENNER REPORT AND THE SPY SCARES

The plot against the American people

By C. B. Baldwin

Natl. Secy., Progressive Party

(First of two articles)

THE Jenner Committee Report, **Interlocking Subversion in Government Departments,** published last August, has already become the bible of the Republican Party. This is neither accident, nor a fortuitous answer to the GOP's recent electoral defeats, but the culmination of a fairly carefully conceived plan.

Beginning with the Amerasia case in this country and the Gouzenko case in Canada, both in 1945, reaction has used spy charges as one of its chief weapons in its campaign against the American people. The first clear expression of what we see in the Jenner Report—the attempt to paint the New Deal and the war against Nazi Germany and Japan as a Communist-Soviet plot—was to be found in the Alger Hiss case. Hiss was obviously selected because of his service with the New Deal, his role at the Yalta Big Three talks and in setting up UN.

PAVING THE ROAD: The Hiss case paved the way for the Jenner Report which pictures Washington as infested with Soviet spies during the 20 years of Democratic administration. In turn, the Report prepared for Atty. Gen. Brownell's charge that President Truman promoted Harry Dexter White (one of those it named) after receiving FBI reports he was a Soviet spy. This charge, as Democratic Party chairman Mitchell said, suggests that the former President "was furthering the interests of a foreign power . . . that he was a part of a Communist activity." Branding the ex-President—who violated allied wartime agreements to launch the cold war against one of these allies, the U.S.S.R., and used the "communist menace" to destroy traditional liberties—as a possible Soviet agent may stand history on its head; but it is a logical development within the context of the Jenner Report. The Brownell charge was made just one week after McCarthy told the Administration how to win next year's Congressional elections.

Presumably there were Communists in Washington in the FDR period just as there were everywhere else; but the irrelevance of "communism" to the Report's real aim—to label as active traitors all who worked for FDR's policies and still believe in them—should by now be obvious.

WHO WERE THE "SPIES"? The Report's content is not new. The govern-

HARRY DEXTER WHITE
In life he spoke out boldly

ment had collected most of these "spy" stories by 1945, and essentially all of them by 1948. The Chambers-Bentley charges on which all this nonsense is based proved so insubstantial that a Grand Jury refused to indict White or any of those now named as spies. Because it couldn't return espionage indictments, this same grand jury indicted the 12 Communist leaders—all this within the context of the 1948 elections, designed to prove Harry Truman as good a red-baiter as any.

But in 1953 these charges are served up again to provide an ideological background for the next session of Congress, an advance cover-up for its failure to do anything about the real problems facing the people. The Jenner Report is a platform, a forward platform, from which the GOP plans to further cripple the Bill of Rights and to insure that there will be no New Deal answers to our growing economic problems.

To understand its significance, and defeat its purposes, one must know who the people it calls "Soviet spies" really were. As head of the Farm Security Administration* under Roosevelt I knew most of them well. Those named in the Report are the very people who worked hardest, first to save the New Deal which by 1937 had faltered terribly, and later to fight the war against fascism to an anti-fascist conclusion.

"LIBERALS" CAVE IN: The 1936 elections gave the New Deal a sweeping mandate, but the Democratic Party leadership failed completely to capitalize on it. From the point of view of legislation, 1935 was the highwater mark of the New Deal, with more social

* Before this assignment (1943), Mr. Baldwin was asst. to the Secy. of Agriculture (1933-38), Asst. Administrator of Resettlement Administration (1938-40).

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On troubled waters

ROOSEVELT, N. J.

Two headlines in the N. Y. Times Nov. 4: DULLES DOUBTS REDS WANT SETTLEMENTS ANYWHERE and DULLES IS HOPEFUL ON IRAN OIL DISPUTE.

Reason could be: Dulles wants oil—doesn't want peace.

Ted Wilson

The cheerful ones

BOSTON, MASS.

The president of General Electric, Ralph J. Cordiner, says (N. Y. Times, Oct. 31) that persons predicting a national recession are "gloomy pessimists." Industry will continue to expand indefinitely. His own company is undertaking a $1,100,000,000 expansion program. The nation's steadily increasing population, increasing application and use of electrical services, and continued research and development of new products, are the main assurances of the continued growth of the electrical industry and the national economy, he said.

The same story reported that GE would lay off 500 Schenectady workers before the end of the year, 100 employes at its Auburn, N. Y., plant and somewhat less than 3% of its 11,500 force at Syracuse in November. Reader

Gives you the creeps

BUTTE, MONT.

The President has lately branded public power, price supports and rent control, rural electrification—in fact, all New Deal welfare methods as "creeping socialism."

The outcery of the users of electricity in rural areas, the lament of tenants, the protests of small mine operators over the use of our taxes to subsidize foreign lead, zinc, copper mines, the firing at Benson by the embattled farmers of some shots heard 'round the world (to paraphrase Emerson), the result of the recent elections, indicate that the American people prefer "creeping socialism" to "creeping paralysis." Lowndes Maury

Two books—and peace

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

There are two books which seem to me to be decisive weapons in the fight for peace—Howard Fast's The Passion of Sacco and Vanzetti and Albert Kahn's The Game of Death. In Fast's book the past illuminates the present while Kahn's book throws a pitiless searchlight upon the realities of today.

With respect to many issues we may find that there are many facets in the diamond of truth with more than one road "leading to Rome." But there is only one truth about war and peace — that war is an abomination and peace the only goal to be pursued.

Every page of The Passion of Sacco and Vanzetti contributes to a revulsion against judicial execution. And what will another war be but predetermined planned execution on a global scale? This book plants a seed of revolt against death which does not come in the course of nature.

The Game of Death is incontrovertible by reason of its superb documentation. Quotation after quotation from eminently respectable sources should deal a solar plexus blow to every one of the impeccably orthodox who suffer from the tragic illusion that THEIR ox can never be gored. Reading it they will learn the shocking truth that they are vulnerable through their children and young people whom they love. They will now know that there is but one road of escape—a united front in the fight for Peace.

We should leave no stone unturned to present these books in this light on a group level—to national and regional religious associations, to trade unions and to any other groups which may suggest themselves.

Muriel I. Symington

How crazy can you get dept.

RIVER JUNCTION, Fla. (UP) —The Ku Klux Klan in Florida discarded its robes and ritual along with color barriers to membership today, and invited Negroes to join on a segregated basis. C. L. Parker, new Grand Dragon, said the only membership requirements are to "believe in God and the Constitution of the U. S."—and pay a $1 fee.

—Los Angeles Times, Oct. 14.

One-year free sub to sender of each item printed under this heading. Winner: Ross Smart, Inglewood, Calif.

Bucks for truth

COMSTOCK, NEB.

Some friend sent me the GUARDIAN and I like it fine. I used to take the American Guardian which also told the truth, and sent them along a few bucks when I could. We are only poor farmers but cannot refuse a plea for help.

C. R. Dye

Negro History posters

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Any facet of Negro life, historical or contemporary, may be used as the theme for a black and white poster in a competition for Negro History Week, 1954. Two prizes and honorable mention will be given by a jury, among whom are Charles White, Robert Gwathmey, Vicki Garvin, Charles Collins, Sydney Laufman and Marvel Cooke.

Early sponsors of the competition, the Art Division of the New York ASP and Tuskegee Institute, expect the winning poster to be used during 1954 Negro History Week in community centers, libraries, schools and churches. Information regarding entries should be addressed to the Art Division, New York ASP, 35 W. 64th St. Phone: SU 7-4677.

N. Y. ASP Art Division

It can't happen here

LONDON, ENGLAND

The Manchester Guardian Oct. 24 printed this letter from Prof. S. G. Harland of Manchester University, British & Commonwealth representative on the Intl. Genetics Committee: "At the final session of the Intl. Congress of Genetics held recently at Bellagio, Italy, the following resolution was passed unanimously: 'The congress asks the Intl. Committee not to recommend that the next congress be held in any country to which it may be expected that scientists would be refused permission to enter on grounds of race, nationality, religion, place of birth, or political associations past or present.'"

What prompted the resolution, Harland added, was that "owing to the attitude of U. S. authorities it is now no longer possible to hold international science congresses in that country. It is the intention of the Intl. Committee of Genetics to obtain for this resolution the widest possible publicity."

He could hardly have been more explicit.

Edgar P. Young
Commdr. R. N. retd.

Lillian Larvanette

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.

The Progressive Party notes with sincere regret the death of Mrs. Lillian Larvanette, natl. committeewoman from Illinois. Mrs. Larvanette, wife of Joseph Larvanette (secretary of the PP of Illinois), was a devoted fighter for the rights of the Negro people and for a truly democratic and peaceful America. She was an active worker in the South Side YMCA, and helped to curb juvenile delinquency through active support of the Boys Club of the YWCA.

C. B. Baldwin, Secretary

Frugal Annie

LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

Don't think that I purchase the papers from which I send you that weekly avalanche of clippings. Nay, nay, frugal Annie fishes them out of the discarded newspaper receptacle. I call it garbaging. Well, aren't the Daily Liars garbage? Occasionally, I do buy a paper for various reasons but if they depended on me for revenue, they would be out of business tomorrow.

My deep appreciation of the heavy sacrifices that you make for the continuance of the paper.

W. P. C.

Wall Street Journal

"This is awfully quiet cereal!"

14th Amendment

RICHMOND, CALIF.

Sec. 2, 14th Amendment to the Constitution reads as follows: "Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States according to their respective numbers counting the whole number of persons in each State, excluding Indians not taxed. . . ."

California has 10,586,223 people, 30 representatives, elected by 5,141,849 votes. The states of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and South Carolina have 10,041,200 people, 29 representatives, elected by 1,704,712 votes.

A voter in Dixie has three times the weight of a California voter in national legislation. That is why our national legislation is inferior in character to that of Sweden, Denmark or England.

J. N. McCollough

Malthusians answered

PARONAN, UTAH.

In the Western States there are thousands of acres of level undeveloped land, which will come under cultivation through the development of water ways, as soon as the progressive people are able to bring pressure enough to bear on our war-minded Congressmen to end war through peaceful negotiations and force them to bring about land reforms. This would grant our returning service men security in the way of homes and farms where they might raise their families in peace and security. A high standard of living and homes with modern convenience for all people regardless of race is the solution to birth control.

The Malthusians, tools of big business officials, are vigorously carrying on their birth control campaign racket, declaring that over-production and over-population are alone responsible for the world's economic stress. The capitalist press publishes their sinister propaganda because the big industrialists want to hold the land (the only treasure) away from the people, in order to monopolize its coal, oil, and mineral deposits.

We have never had over-production, but plenty of under-consumption. Scarcity in a land of plenty in order that the big merchants might become millionaires off the raw materials produced with cheap labor. When all the people have sufficient unto their need, there will be no such thing as over-production. At that time to society than producers, there-consumers will be more necessary fore large families will be a necessary contribution to America's new way of life. Olive Carroll

He's through drifting

W. LOS ANGELES, CALIF.

I have been reading the GUARDIAN for the last year. I am a university philosophy student. I have refrained from subscribing out of fear that my name would land on a "subversive list," and that as a result I would be unable to obtain a position in my field or that any number of other infringements on my individual rights would be enacted.

Not only have I suffered from the disparity between my beliefs and my actions, but each week I have driven 15 miles out of my way to pick up the GUARDIAN, expending an hour of my time, gas, and over 66⅔% more for the paper.

I am through drifting along with the tide. Here is $3 for a year's subscription. May others in similar situations take courage.

J. John Saunders

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"There is something worse than slavery: to have slaves and to call them free men."—DIDEROT.

AN EDITORIAL STATEMENT

A time for Gideon

WITH the subpenaing of former President Harry S. Truman by the Velde Committee, the great American witch-hunt has reached a fantastic climax. We await with interest the comments from around the world on this demonstration of the desperate state of mind of this country's leaders, as they strive to distract the people's attention from the stormy issues that call for solution. The method chosen to do this, as Progressive Party secy. C. B. Baldwin makes clear on p. 1, is to strive for the annihilation of every remnant of the Roosevelt New Deal and of everyone in public life who was even remotely connected with it.

Baldwin—then scarcely in his thirties—stood out among the young, highly-purposed men and women who peopled the early F. D. R. years in Washington. As Assistant Resettlement Administrator under Secy. of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace and several successors, his efforts in behalf of farm support, rural electrification, migratory labor and sharecroppers have proven themselves lasting New Deal accomplishments. That he now correctly diagnoses the real purposes of the GOP super-witch-hunt, and is prepared to lead an affirmative and principled fight against it, makes him virtually unique among New Deal leaders still in the public eye.

THERE ARE OTHER molders of the New Deal—living but silent—for whom the memory and the ideals of Franklin D. Roosevelt must still come like a clean wind across the swamp of fascism that is threatening to engulf us.

Among them is Wallace himself. As Secy. of Agriculture and eventually as Vice President under Roosevelt, he is credited by millions of people in America and throughout the world as the chief architect and articulator of so much of the New Deal. As a member of the Truman Cabinet, his principled stand for peace electrified new millions who were weary of the mediocrities in Washington. His prophecy of the Century of the Common Man can still hold true.

No one knows better than Wallace and the others who are silent that the men and women who fought shoulder to shoulder with him in the New Deal were the finest kind of patriots. They are under attack today not because they passed pumpkins to Russians, but because they believed in the right of all Americans to partake of our bountiful resources—not just a greedy, ugly few. Mr. Wallace knows who fought for the New Deal, and who fought against it.

THE ISSUE before the American people today is the integrity of the Roosevelt Era—the integrity of the slogan: Peace, Freedom and Plenty. The clearest mandate the American people have ever given will remain unfulfilled as long as the objectives of the New Deal remain unachieved.

What Mr. Wallace and the others who are silent will choose to do is a matter for their own conscience. But the time is now for a Gideon's Army, led by a Gideon who will again take up the great principles of the campaign of 1948—and march with them toward victory with the truth and the people at his side.

—THE EDITORS

The White Affair

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porters Eisenhower had discussed Brownell's speech with him the previous Monday, had told him "it was his duty to report it to the American people."

Full implication of the elevation of the McCarthy technique to a first principle of the Eisenhower government didn't register at once; Democrats were inclined to scoff it off as a trick on the eve of a Los Angeles election on Tuesday for a seat in Congress. (The GOP machine won.) Truman called it

> ". . . a desperate effort to offset what has happened in New York and New Jersey. . . . They'll stop at nothing—lies or anything else—to accomplish their purpose. They're scared. They're desperate."

CONTRADICTIONS: Denials were prompt. Truman said:

> "I don't recall that such a thing happened. As soon as we found out that White was wrong we fired him."

Actually, White resigned in 1947 pleading ill health; a White House letter shows it was accepted "with sincere regret and considerable reluctance." Gen. Vaughan said he never heard of White until Brownell's speech and "certainly never received any such report from the FBI."

Henry Morgenthau Jr., who resigned as Secy. of the Treasury in July, 1945, said:

> "As long as I was in the Treasury, I had no information of any sort to make me suspicious of White. A couple of years ago I called on the asst. director of the FBI and he told me it was only after I left the Treasury that they sent the information about White over to the White House."

This was a clear contradiction of Brownell's assertion that the "FBI became aware of White's espionage activities at an early point in his government career." White entered government service in 1934.

BYRNES JOINS IN: Other top officials in the Truman administration also denied having seen FBI reports on White as charged by Brownell; only James F. Byrnes, then Secy. of State and now a violent political foe of Truman, backed up the Brownell story, but he was contradicted by Leslie L. Biffle, then Secy. of the Senate. Truman challenged Brownell to produce the reports:

> "They must be in the files of the Attorney General. That's where they should be if he hasn't done away with them."

Brownell responded: "He'll be sorry he made that statement." In New York this week for a round of speech-making, Truman refused to discuss the case further but hinted he would have plenty to say in his own ti:

Truman subpenaed

By midweek some of the attack's far-reaching implications became clear. The House Un-American Activities Committee, on the sole authority of chairman Harold H. Velde, subpenaed Truman to appear before it on Friday. It was the first time in history a former President had been so treated. Truman consistently refused to tell reporters if he would honor the subpena or not. Also called for Friday was Byrnes; for a Thursday appearance, Assoc. Justice Tom Clark was also subpenaed. Neither man would comment.

Democratic committee members were outraged at Velde's action. Committeeman Francis E. Walter, who is anything but a Fair Dealer, called it the "most incredible, insulting, un-American thing that I've encountered in my 21 years in Congress." Vying with the Velde committee was Sen. Jenner's committee on Internal Security; Harry Vaughan was under subpena to appear before both of them at the same time on Thursday. There was talk of a joint session.

HARRY'S HEAD: It was left to Rep. Clare E. Hoffman (R-Mich.) to voice the ultimate meaning of the Eisenhower-Brownell tactics:

> "If the Rosenbergs were convicted and executed because they gave secret information to our enemies, what shall be said of and done with Harry S. Truman, former President, who appointed Harry Dexter White to a position where he could give equally dangerous information to the same enemy after he [Truman] knew or had reasonable grounds to believe that White was an enemy spy?"

Unabashed by the snowballing consequences of his act, Brownell on Nov. 10 threatened the country with more of the same; appearing on the Kate Smith TV show, he said it is part of "a continuing program, and so we have not seen the end of it yet." McCarthy was gleeful; the uproar of the attack on Truman diverted attention from the total collapse of his spy hoax at Fort Monmouth.

THE RECORD: The man who couldn't speak for himself was Harry Dexter White, one of the earliest and staunchest New Dealers in the government until his death on Aug. 16, 1948. His brilliant career was capped by the Bretton Woods international monetary stabilization program, of which he was chief author, and the establishment of the Intl. Monetary Fund which he headed till his resignation in 1947. In fighting for his program, he won the everlasting enmity of the top U.S. international bankers—and particularly of John Foster Dulles, whose law firm's clients had the biggest stakes in German finance and German cartels.

Throughout World War II White was bitter and outspoken about the continued existence, in neutral Basle, Switzerland, of the Bank of Intl. Settlements which conducted its business as usual even though Nazis dominated it and it served primarily their interests. In Nov. 23, 1943, he said of it:

> "It is German-controlled. There's an American president doing business with the Germans while our boys are fighting Germans."

The American president was Thomas J. McKittrick, director of the First Natl. Bank of New York, who was quite casual about it; he told **UP** in the summer of 1944:

> "We keep the machine ticking . . . because when the armistice comes the formerly hostile powers will need an efficient instrument such as the Bank of Intl. Settlements."

On hand in Switzerland till the end of 1944 to keep an eye on the ticking machine was John Dulles' brother Allen, then an OSS official.

White countered this kind of international financial skullduggery with the Bretton Woods plan which to him was simply "an instrument for the prevention of economic warfare in the postwar years." In April, 1945, he told a meeting of the N. Y. Newspaper Guild that "New York bankers" were the harshest foes of Bretton Woods and that "we have a fight on our hands." New York bankers have never forgiven him for winning the fight.

DEATH OF A MAN: With the Eisenhower Administration now prepared on its own to incorporate a revived and armed W. Germany into its European network, the memory of White's achievement apparently seemed the one now most in need of destruction by slander.

While alive, White himself effectively answered attacks upon him. When he was named as suspect by veteran informers Whittaker Chambers and Elizabeth Bentley, he demanded to be heard by the House Un-American Activities Committee, before which he denounced the charges as "unqualifiedly false." But he was already ill then and didn't survive the Un-AAC's gruelling abuse. He died of a heart attack three days later.

Last week former Asst. Atty. Gen. T. Vincent Quinn revealed that White had been cleared by a federal grand jury in 1947:

> "All the evidence we had on his alleged espionage activities was presented to the Grand Jury at that time . . . [The jurors] obviously felt that there was insufficient evidence to indict. . . . The whole affair concerning White was delved into very, very carefully."

Belfrage bail hearing

Last week, five months after Cedric Belfrage was released on bail from Ellis Island where he had been held four weeks for deportation, Immigration Service arguments to revoke granting of bail were set for hearing Dec. 7 before the 2d District U.S. Court of Appeals. The Immigration Service is appealing the June 9 decision by U.S. District Court Judge Edward Weinfeld that Belfrage's detention without bail was "without reasonable foundation." At that time the Service failed in an appeal to U.S. Appeals Court Judge Charles E. Clark for a stay of execution of Weinfeld's order.

No date has yet been set for hearing of the charges under which the Immigration Service hopes to deport Belfrage. The GUARDIAN editor remains under $5,000 bond, confined to a small area, reporting regularly to Ellis Island.

Baldwin

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legislation passed then than in any other year in our history. Roosevelt's great triumph in 1936 was a mandate to complete the reform program: to put through such measures as the anti-lynch law, anti-discrimination laws, abolition of child labor, minimum wage and hour laws, development of national resources, work for the unemployed.

But big business was even then beginning to get its courage back. In Congress, southern and border state Democrats like Byrnes of S. Carolina, George of Georgia, Tydings of Maryland, and others like McCarran of Nevada led a bitter fight against all New Deal measures. By 1937 the New Deal had already lost a lot. All the early New Dealers—men like A. A. Berle Jr., Raymond Moley, Rexford Tugwell—had gone sour or been transferred out of Washington. Their temporizing attitude toward reaction was illustrated in a talk I had with one of the most prominent of them the day after he had dinner with Martin Dies, founder of the House Un-American Activities Committee. Dies, he told me, was "a great American patriot"; it was better to "deal with" such people than try to fight them. Dies was finally defeated in 1944 but his work had been done: the foundation had been laid for these witch-hunt committees in both Houses of Congress to be used by demagogues; it was this temporizing approach of the "liberals" which later opened the door for McCarthyism.

MEN WHO FOUGHT ON: But back in 1937, when the New Deal was being sold out, the men branded today in the Jenner Report were working constantly to try to hold it together and to put some vigor into it again. Harry White was one of the main cogs of this group. These were the people who had devised the Civil Works Administration, the best works program this country has had. CWA was set up to implement the Roosevelt-Harry Hopkins promise that everybody would be put to work. Under CWA millions did get jobs, at low salaries, yes, but there was no means test, no witch-hunting. Then the administration, becoming frightened, replaced CWA with WPA which introduced a means test and everything else.

Late in 1937 White and the others named in the Report were working to arrest the coming recession. Under the prodding of White and the deepening of the economic crisis, Roosevelt proposed the Spend-Lend bill—a belated and, as it turned out, sad effort to save the New Deal by an enormous public roads program, a big increase in public housing, public power, rural electrification, a program to relieve rural poverty. The spend-lend bill got through the House, although badly cut down; it was stopped in the Senate largely by the efforts of Byrnes.

RETREAT FOR WAR: Republican victories in the 1938 Congressional elections put the anti-New Deal coalition in control of Congress. Within a year Roosevelt became convinced that U.S. involvement in World War II was inevitable. He made increasing concessions to the tory wing of his party to get support for his foreign policy.

The New Deal domestic program was forgotten. The recession which White had hoped to arrest by public works and improved living for the people was eventually halted by war spending.

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PEOPLE IN COLONIES vs. THE AMERICAN COLOSSUS

How the U.S. is horning in on European imperialism

By Kumar Goshal
(First of a series)

BY the way the U.S. press handled the British Guiana story, one would never know that America was once a British colony, that there ever was an American revolution, that the U.S. now dominates the colonial world. The story of Britain's crackdown on the constitutionally-elected government of the colony was reported with uniform hostility, often with sneering reference to "a strawberry blonde from Chicago . . . gnawing away at the foundations of what is left of the British Empire" (**U.S. News**, 10/16).

None felt any pride at an American woman—Janet Rosenberg Jagan, wife of Prime Minister Dr. Cheddi Jagan—joining the forces of liberation in a colony which is a classic example of imperialism. As a result of the foreign exploitation described by Dr. Jagan, the Guianese have remained largely illiterate, poor, disease-ridden, living

> . . . in incredibly foul, rickety shacks of corrugated iron, rusting to pieces . . . even the best of the workers' houses . . . are cottages whose total floor space of 25 or 30 feet square is cut up into tiny rooms in which live a man, his wife and 10 or 12 children" (N.Y. **Times**, 11/1).

THIS IS THE "PLOT": The People's Progressive Party had made—and succeeded in—

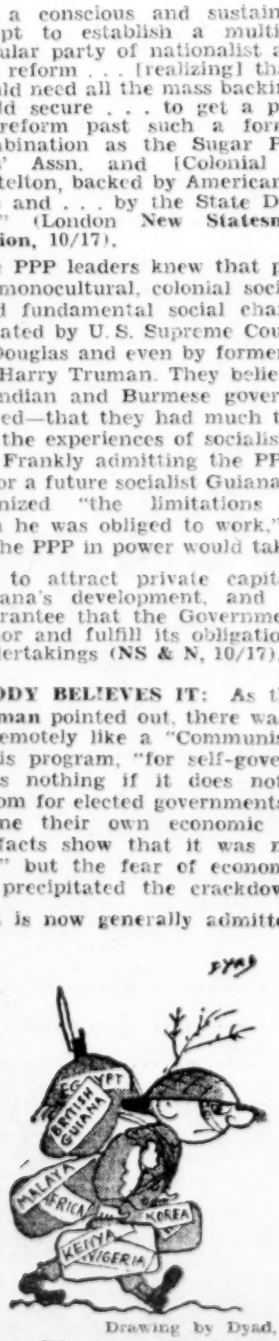
> . . . a conscious and sustained attempt to establish a multi-racial, popular party of nationalist and social reform . . . [realizing] that they would need all the mass backing they could secure . . . to get a program of reform past such a formidable combination as the Sugar Proprietors' Assn. and [Colonial Secy.] Lyttelton, backed by American interests and . . . by the State Dept. itself" (London **New Statesman & Nation**, 10/17).

The PPP leaders knew that progress in a monocultural, colonial society required fundamental social change—as advocated by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Douglas and even by former President Harry Truman. They believed—as the Indian and Burmese governments believed—that they had much to learn from the experiences of socialist countries. Frankly admitting the PPP's desire for a future socialist Guiana, Jagan recognized "the limitations within which he was obliged to work," promised the PPP in power would take steps

> . . . to attract private capital [for Guiana's development, and would] guarantee that the Government will honor and fulfill its obligations and undertakings (**NS & N**, 10/17).

NOBODY BELIEVES IT: As the **New Statesman** pointed out, there was nothing remotely like a "Communist plot" in this program, "for self-government means nothing if it does not mean freedom for elected governments to determine their own economic policy." The facts show that it was no such "plot," but the fear of economic loss that precipitated the crackdown:

> It is now generally admitted that the movement of troops to British Guiana, the overthrow of the PPP Government and suspension of the Constitution . . . [were] planned . . . [and] put in train at the time of the sugar strike and clearly related to that emergency, such as it was, and nothing else (**NS & N**, 10/17).



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The unpopular front

The "White Paper" which the British government has now published did not convince even the London **Times** of any "Communist plot." Five PPP leaders, including the Guiana Industrial Workers Union vice-president, have been arrested and detained without charges; but Guiana's Governor Savage was having "great difficulty . . . in obtaining sufficient evidence to prefer charges against those arrested" (**NYT**, 10/21). The British government's action, which Labour MP Emrys Hughes called a policy of "the iron hand and the wooden head" was supported by a 294-256 party vote in Parliament.

WORLD PATTERN: In British Guiana the people have been held in poverty by such sugar barons as Booker Bros. (with their shipping line, taxi fleet and drug, grocery and general stores), while U.S. capital more and more penetrates this and other colonies once reserved for the exclusive use of W. European owning powers. The pattern is repeated throughout the colonial world today.

From Indo-China and Malaya, from British and Dutch possessions in the Western Hemisphere, from British, French, Belgian, Spanish and Portuguese possessions in Africa, W. European corporations still draw—at a fat profit, while their "own" taxpayers foot staggering bills for holding the colonies by force—huge quantities of agricultural products such as sugar, sisal, olive oil, peanuts, oranges, rice, and rubber; and minerals such as bauxite, chromite, tungsten, tin, copper, gold, diamond, asbestos and uranium.

This is how the system looks to the people who produce the wealth. The average annual income per man, woman and child among Africans is $18 in Kenya, $15 in N. Rhodesia, $27 in S. Rhodesia; the equivalent average for whites there is 35-60 times more.

THE WEALTH OF ARABY IS PIPED TO STANDARD OIL, N.J.
A work gang carries a pipe toward a drilling rig in Saudi Arabia

ENTER COLOSSUS: To maintain cheap labor, imperialist governments have cracked down on trade unions or seduced their leaders to "divide and rule"; the British, for example, have driven the Pan Malayan Fedn. of Trade Unions underground, won over the Jamaican Labor Party's Alexander Bustamante (his slogan: "I will fight socialism until I die"); the Belgians allow no unions in the Congo; the French have bitterly fought unions in Morocco and Tunisia.

Trade unions in the colonies have resisted valiantly, as in the Rhodesian copper mines—but they now have to fight the U.S. colossus too, as European enterprises are forced to a secondary place by the Rockefellers in Congo uranium mines; the American Metal Co. and Morgan's Newmont Mining Corp. in the Rhodesian copper belt and S-W African mines and plantations; Bethlehem Steel in Nigeria and S-W Africa, U.S. Steel in French Equatorial Africa, Union Carbide in Swaziland, Gulf Oil in Mozambique and Tunisia, Conorado (Calif.) group in British Somaliland, the ubiquitous Standard Oil in various parts of Africa and the West Indies.

Colonial unions also have to face implacable hostility from the reactionary leadership of the trade union movement in the U.S. and Britain. After the Guiana events the British Trades Union Congress general council issued a statement of complete support for the Tory government's action, condemning the PPP ministers' "wanton abuse of the trust reposed in them by the people of British Guiana."

THE BIG GRAB: The Paris **Tribune des Nations** (9/11) listed some of the booty the U.S. has exacted in return for "aid" to France in Indo-China: The New Market Manufacturing Co. and American Metal Co. secured important concessions at the end of 1951 to exploit Indo-Chinese tin and tungsten; Chibuluma Mines and the Oliver Manufacturing Co. gained tin and zinc exploitation rights; American Smelting and Refining took over the silver mines. In 1952 DuPont's U.S. Rubber Co. coralled 65% of the (French) Michelin Co., Goodrich grabbed rubber enterprises in Laos and Cambodia. Americans thus have taken over 72% of Indo-China's non-ferrous metals exports, 20% of its rubber exports.

In addition, Atlas Contractors and Morrison-Knudsen have monopolized all stategic road, airport and port construction in Indo-China; the Morgan-controlled Intl. Tel. and Tel. has taken over Indo-Chinese communications development by securing control of the French Materiel Telephonique Co.

HOW TO SUCCEED: U.S. investors coin fabulous profits by paying starvation wages to colonial workers while boasting of "the American way" of high pay-scales. Newmont in its lead and zinc mine in Morocco pays its workers 15c an hour, American Metal in its S-W African mines pays 6c, Standard Oil of N.J. pays 38c in its Aruba refinery in the Dutch W. Indies.

By 1950, U.S. corporations had invested $429.8 millions in British, Dutch, French, Belgian, Spanish, and Portuguese colonies throughout the world (**Survey of Current Business**, Dec., 1952). There has been a sharp increase in investment since then, for which figures are not yet available. The significant point is that all but $7.8 million of the 1950 investment was in extracting vital agricultural and mineral resources exclusively for export.

FREEDOM, PLEASE: But the struggle for colonial liberation goes on, despite setbacks. There have been militant strikes by workers in the Gold Coast, Sierra Leone, Kenya, Nigeria, N. and S. Rhodesia; mass demonstrations in Nyasaland, and workers' participation in the Kenya, Tunisia, Morocco, Algeria liberation movements. Gen. Navarre's widely ballyhooed "Operation Seagull, the first real French offensive in Indo-China in 18 months, was petering out after only a few minor skirmishes" (**Newsweek**, 11/2), and the Malayan war continues unabated. Jamaica-born former NMU leader Ferdinand Smith has organized the militant Jamaican Fedn. of Trade Unions, with branches in other parts of the Caribbean.

In British Guiana, Janet Jagan said the PPP would continue "to work and prepare for a new election" (**NYT**, 10/23). NYT's Sam Brewer grudgingly admitted (11/1) that the "polite" and "soft-spoken" Guianese, after all, "were on strike, responding to the call of the Progressives" in protest against the suspension of their constitution and arrest of their leaders.

Little-known aspects of the Red Menace

Huge quantities of opium and other narcotics are being smuggled into the U.S. from Red China in a communist plan to destroy American youth, State's Atty. Boyle said yesterday.
—Chicago **Tribune**, 3/11/52.

Russian antiques were barred today from the big Boston Antiques Exposition. . . . Milton Babcock, director of the show, said of the Reds: "It is not beyond the realm of possibility that these vicious leaders would flood the antique market with stolen art relics . . . to kill American soldiers in Korea."
—Boston **Traveler**, 12/2/52.

Sen. Wiley (R-Wis.) said today that Iron Curtain countries in one of their "most diabolic conspiracies" are flooding the U.S. with Christmas tree ornaments.
—AP, 12/3/52.

John B. Keenan, director of Public Safety in Newark, N. J., suggested to House investigators today that Communists may be responsible for the "filth" flooding the country in the form of obscene books, pictures and magazines.
—UP, 12/18/52.

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MR. WICKS—ENTRANCE, OR EXIT?
That's a pretty messy mess, Governor

THE POLITICAL ARENA

Wagner opens front door to Tammany; Wicks won't take a flop for Dewey

AS soon as the election returns were in, all major candidates headed south on vacation as if they were office holders. Lame duck Mayor Impellitteri and defeated Liberal Party candidate Halley went to Florida; GOP's Col. Riegelman was in Jamaica, Mayor-elect Wagner in Nassau, W. Indies.

Behind them they left the voters, also weary of the campaign, and a simmering political pot. The city waited for a sign from Nassau as to the quality of the new administration. Early omens were bleak.

WELCOME TAMMANY: It was reported that Wagner was considering replacing Police Commissioner Monaghan with Peter Campbell Brown, a Brooklyn lawyer and former chairman of the Subversive Activities Control Board. Whether or not Brown, a close personal friend of Wagner's, gets the police job he is almost certain to figure prominently in the new regime.

The first definite appointee announced in Nassau was Dr. Luther H. Gulick for the new post of city administrator, apparently a first lieutenant to assist the mayor and all dept. heads without stepping on anyone's toes. Gulick suggested the post, himself, in a report, as director of the Mayor's Committee on Management Survey. (He indicated a salary of $30,000-$36,000. Wagner said it would be closer to $25,000.) Gulick also recommended drastic "belt-tightening" with a 5-10% cut in city payrolls.

GEORGE FLOREA
The big ones got away

Before leaving, Wagner let it be known that Tammany Hall would not operate through the back door of City Hall but from a command position. He told reporters he planned to leave all party matters (which include patronage) to Tammany Boss Carmine DeSapio.

BROOKLYN CRISIS: A minor party crisis was touched off before Wagner's train left the city. Kenneth F. Sutherland, Democratic Party boss in Brooklyn, was headed for Arizona but wanted to resign his post first, he said, for reasons of health. He named as his successor Elections Board pres. James M. Power, set last Monday for the county exec. committee to approve his choice.

The Brooklyn machine, dependent on City Hall for patronage, had to be approved by the incoming administration. Since Sutherland had supported Impellitteri against Wagner, it was supposed that Sutherland was out of favor. Whatever split existed seemed easily bridged. Wagner, DeSapio, Democratic Party State Chairman Richard H. Balch, Bronx boss Rep. Charles A. Buckley all asked pro-Impellitteri Sutherland to continue in office for the time being, perhaps indefinitely. He yielded, called off the county meeting.

The new legislature, convened

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CROSSROADS FOR PROGRESSIVES

The ALP weighs its future; race for Governor in '54 is key

By Elmer Bendiner

NEW YORK progressives were at a crossroads last week. The election's aftermath posed these problems:

- The ALP, despite a confused and divided campaign, had nevertheless increased its percentage of the city's total vote. What was to be its future?
- Does the way of the progressive lie in third party movements now, or in the better of two old parties, or in the early AFL formula: reward your friends and punish your enemies?
- All questions seemed summed up in the 1954 prospect: should the ALP run and campaign for a candidate for Governor? On the one hand were those who during the mayoralty campaign and since have called Dewey and Dewey's men the major enemies. From their point of view "Beat Dewey" is inevitably next year's slogan. But that slogan, which must favor the only likely candidate to beat Dewey, a Democrat, would almost certainly bury the ALP which needs 50,000 votes for Governor to survive as a ballot-party.
- Is the state's one example of a working partnership between Communists and other progressives to survive and grow? If so, how can it best solidify its own ranks, strike deeper roots? How can it be made a spokesman for New York's maturing political power, the Negro and Puerto Rican people?

STALLED BUT RUNNING: The resignation from the ALP of former chairman Vito Marcantonio brought these questions into the open, made their answers the day's urgent business for progressives. Marcantonio also brought agreement from all sides on at least one point: his re-election to Congress next year.

Throughout the city ALP clubs were meeting. County committees went into session. The State exec. committee scheduled a meeting for Nov. 19 to find some of the answers. Out of it was expected a full statement, a temporary chairman, a call for a full state committee meeting to elect a chairman, set final policy.

The ALP was stalled but with motor running. There was not only sober debate from clubs to the state committee, but as the surest sign of life, plans went ahead for the annual ALP Labor Bazaar, Dec. 11-13 at Manhattan Plaza.

BALDWIN DISSENTS: The big press reported ALP developments luridly, claiming an unbridgeable split, again hailing the party's death. The N. Y. **Herald Tribune** distorted Marcantonio's farewell statement

Drawing by Walter Iler

under a headline: "Marcantonio Denounces ALP. . . ."

C. B. Baldwin, natl. secy. of the Progressive Party, expressed regrets at Marcantonio's resignation, "deepest respect" for his "political judgment and skill," but added:

"We cannot agree with his conclusion. We believe that the ALP in New York, like the Progressive Party nationally, has and can continue to play a most important role in bringing the urgent issues of peace and democracy to the voters through its program and its candidates, uniting the people around a progressive program and laying the basis for a political realignment in a powerful political party of opposition to the bipartisan policies of war and reaction represented by the Republican and Democratic Parties."

"WE ARE CONCERNED": The line taken by the PP in elections around the country was typified by the Philadelphia PP's recommendation of votes for five Democrats, one Republican (a Negro candidate for magistrate), with this statement of policy:

"The Progressive Party is not running candidates in this election. But we are very concerned with getting the best from what is offered by the tickets of both parties. While we cannot fully endorse any of the candidates, we urge a vote for the following. . . ."

Operating similarly in many cities, the PP withheld full endorsement of either side, vigorously opposed one slate, postponed its challenge to the two-party system.

"CENTRAL TASK": The **Daily Worker** in an editorial (11/5) hailed the election results this way: "In New York City, the labor movement, along with the Negro people, played the major part in defeating the Dewey-Farley conspiracy to take over the city. . . ."

On the immediate prospects for independent political action the **Worker** said: "Labor, the Negro people and the farmers view the Democratic Party as the vehicle through which they hope to defeat the Eisenhower program. . . . Hence the central task consists in influencing this mass popular base of the Democratic Party, to fully develop its independent political action and organization under conditions in which it is not prepared to form a new party, in which it is striving to advance the electoral struggle for its interests primarily within the framework of the Democratic Party and, in a few cases, within the Republican Party."

PLEASE REVERSE: Calling on Mayor-elect Wagner to "reverse his concessions to McCarthyism", the **Worker** said: "But the people, especially labor, cannot be content to leave this fight to any individual. They should wage the good fight beginning right now — through their organizations and political committees and in the communities. And in this fight the American Labor Party, which is so experienced in raising issues vigorously and sharply and in stimulating struggles has an invaluable part to play." The ALP part was still undefined; definition was called for if the party were to remain in existence.

The **Worker** also called for Marcantonio's election to Congress. The CP point of view was to be aired more fully in a telecast on "The Election Results and 1954" by George Blake Charney who ran for Manhattan District Atty. on the People's Rights ticket. (Nov. 18, 7:45 p.m.,WABD, Channel 5.)

MAYOR-ELECT WAGNER
Plenty of pressure needed

One week after election there were still far more questions than answers.

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NEW TRIAL FEB. 8

CCNY students back libel suit against 'Times'

THIRTEEN years ago Prof. William E. Knickerbocker, then head of the romance language dept. of City College, told Clifford T. McAvoy, joining his faculty as an instructor:

"These students are different. More than two thirds of the students are Jewish. They are always trying to put something over; they have no respect for authority and you can't treat them like gentlemen."

Prof. Knickerbocker no longer teaches, but the long record —some of it admitted—of his anti-Semitism was still echoing last week in a pending lawsuit.

STUDENT ACTION: The case remained a scandal within the school until April 11, 1949, when more than 5,000 students left their classrooms and struck for nine days before the Easter recess. Pickets carried placards reading: "6,000,000 Jewish dead are enough." Police rode horses into the crowds of demonstrators; some were beaten; 18 students were arrested.

The strike took the issue beyond school walls, focussed the nation's attention on students in action, not in "panty-raids" but against intolerance. Ephraim Cross of CCNY's committee on awards, in a pamphlet, documented the charges: awards withheld from Jewish students; Jewish teachers passed over in hiring; quotations, attested by affidavits, evidencing Knickerbocker's anti-Semitism.

LIBEL CLAIMED: The press played up the strike, ran pictures of police charging pickets, but played down the issues at stake and denounced the strike as "communist." The N.Y. **Times** was promptly sued for libel by Student Council leaders William Fortunato and Albert Ettinger (class of '49), Leroy Galperin and Robert Oppenheimer ('50.)

The case dragged through the courts for four years, **Times** lawyers winning postponements, tying the students in legal knots. Knickerbocker, also sued for $40,000, quietly settled out of court for an undisclosed amount. Last month the case finally had its first trial, before State Supreme Court Justice Dennis O'Leary Cohalan.

"NO SURE TEST": Atty. Conrad Lynn, for the ex-students, asked **Times** spokesmen how a strike is determined to be "red." His questioning ran this way:

"Would you call a strike communist if pickets shouted: 'Scab . . . rat'; if they did it in unison; if they sang 'We Shall Not Be Moved?"

The paper's witnesses said none of these would be considered evidence, admitted there was no sure test, that all conclusions of the editorial writer and reporter were based on a pamphlet issued by the Board of Higher Education. (Facts were available in reports by Prof. Cross and the American Jewish Congress. Later the City Council found evidence of Knickerbocker's anti-Semitism. The **Times** never ran a retraction, failed to cover its own trial.)

NEW TRIAL SET: The trial ended in a hung jury; a new one was set for Feb. 8. Last week the CCNY Student Council voted "moral" but not financial support to the four fighting alumni and thanked them "for their efforts in behalf of the good name of the college, the student body and the Student Council." The four plaintiffs said they would turn over all damages won to the college's Centennial Fund.

At a time when school witchhunters pick Jewish targets almost exclusively, student resistance needs a victory.

THE CITY COLLEGE DEMONSTRATION IN '49
There were echoes four years later

Negro family eviction stayed in Levittown jimcrow fight

AUTO mechanic William J. Cotter, his wife and their five children last week won a temporary stay of eviction from their Levittown home. Seeing the Cotters as frontline fighters to break discrimination all over Long Island, people from Hempstead, Roosevelt, Amityville and Port Washington joined the weekly Saturday picket lines before the offices of Levittown's managers, Mid-Island Properties.

The Committee to End Discrimination in Levittown (P.O. Box 14, Levittown) handed out 5,000 leaflets on the case at the Republic Aircraft plant in Farmingdale—whose Negro workers find it hard to get better than ramshackle slum housing in L.I.

WANT FRONT DOOR: On Nov. 9 Judge George J. Beldock of the State Supreme Court Appellate Divn. granted the temporary stay while he considered whether or not to hear the Cotters' appeal. Over a year ago Mid-Island promised the Cotters a house; when it learned they were Negroes it reneged, has since refused to sell or rent to them.

The family is living in a Levittown house provided by friends; many house-owners in Levittown have offered to sell to the Cotters, but they maintain they do not want to enter the community "by the back door." Last August a trial court granted permission to evict.

THE $ ARGUMENT: Earlier efforts to break discrimination in Levittown forced the owners to drop a "Caucasians only" clause from contracts (GUARDIAN, 7/13). Levittown landlords, like others, have seemed unmoved by democratic pleas against jimcrow. Last month they heard another argument: that jimcrow was unprofitable. **U. S. News** (10/23) reported: "Non-segregated areas often add to, rather than subtract from market values." The magazine cited housing expert Charles Abrams' advice that "mixed neighborhoods usually provide a better long-term investment."

The Committee to End Discrimination in Levittown urged that all arguments be made quickly in letters or by phone to pres. Richard Wasserman, Mid-Island Properties, South Village Green, Levittown, LE 9-7000.

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SOMEBODY WAS LYING

New York Profile

NEW YORK, N. Y.

THE PEN PROSTITUTES are earning their keep now with planted stories about returning Korean prisoners. It seems most of the GI captives were not fooled by "Communist propaganda" regarding conditions among the U. S. working class.

Well, I am a veteran of World War II and of the depression of the '30's. I would like to tell your readers an experience I had last week which is more typically Americana than the myth that we are all home owners and have autos.

BEING ON THE BEACH broke, with shipping slow, a common situation among seamen today, I walked five miles to the U. S. E. S. on East 59th St. to get a job at anything that would give me a meal and a bed for the night. The place had signs all over calling for extra dishwashers at 82c an hour. Told to see Mr. Ruffine, I was informed by him that I would have to wait around. He made a special notation about my veteran status, but it didn't help me any as five hours later I was still hanging around in a crowded, overheated room. Weak from lack of food as I hadn't eaten in 20 hours, I was forced to leave for greener fields of opportunity.

I recalled the blood donor bank on 2d Av. and 20th St. owned by N. Y. University. After resting in Madison Sq. Park, and refreshing myself with a free drink of water while envying the pigeons their peanuts and crumbs, I managed to make the center by 4 o'clock. There was one big line, Negro and White in equal numbers, and signs on the wall stating that I would have to have a social security card, would get $5 for my donation and could come back again in six weeks. If I had a special type of blood that is hard to get, the clinic, which is supervised by Bellevue Hospital, would put me on constant call, and I would get much more than $5. Unfortunately, I didn't have the type of blood, probably due to an oversight by one of my Irish parents. And to my further dismay, when I came to the technician to have my blood pressure checked, I was told by the humane doctor to go home, that I was a sick man. The truth was I was so hungry my head ached and I felt dizzy. That's why my blood pressure was not its normal self.

I WENT across the street, rested up again in the park, then headed for the Bowery, hoping for the usual Mission handout. At 6 o'clock I arrived at the Salvation Army at 349 Bowery.

Marching music was being piped through loudspeakers and I was handed a leaflet announcing a meeting at 8 P. M. where free refreshments would be served. Naturally, I stayed. Promptly at 8, a lieutenant in Salvation Army uniform with a big belly took the mike, led the hymn singing, which had to be reinforced by a loud organ, and introduced two speakers who told of their struggle with the "Demon Rum" and how they found Jesus.

Both of these smooth-talking pitchmen were dressed like Wall St. bankers and I found out they were on the staff. Nobody asked the 150 men in the audience what we thought caused people to drink and what we lowly Christians could do about it.

IN SPITE OF repeated demands, only five men offered to be saved. The rest stirred noisily, awaiting the end of the hypocrisy so they could eat something. When it was over, the men filed silently to the basement for the coffee and doughnuts. I couldn't help thinking what Jesus, Prince of Peace, would say about the military-styled army which runs a nice racket in His Name.

I managed to steal four extra doughnuts and stashed them away for later. I'm sure Jesus didn't mind. As I left the building, some "Sally" mission stiff had the nerve to give me a cheery goodbye and shake my hand.

It was quite dark now and I felt very tired. I was told by an elderly man to go to the Catholic Worker headquarters on Chrystie St. Here I was told that they were all filled up for the night. Desperate now, I angrily shouted I was not a Catholic but neither was I a drunkard. I was simply an unemployed seaman. They let me sleep on the floor of a room they called the library; I found three other guys sleeping there too.

THUS ENDED MY DAY in the largest city of the arsenal of democracy.

In a short time, many Korean vets will find out who really lied to them and I honestly believe they will join in the fight against the common enemy of all of us.

Maritime Joe

Political arena

(Continued from Page N. Y. 1)

ing in Albany Nov. 17, would inevitably be a political arena as well as a law-making session. The Democrats had excellent talking points to win public support and touch off the '54 campaign. Gov. Dewey has called two special sessions of the Legislature this year. The first was to fasten upon longshoremen an unprecedented regimentation. The one scheduled this month has an agenda restricted to Wicks, race tracks and reapportionment.

WICKS WON'T GO: Senate majority leader and Acting Lt. Gov. Arthur H. Wicks, in a tearful telecast during the campaign, admitted he had called upon extortionist Joseph E. Fay in Sing Sing prison to help him settle labor disputes on public projects. Gov. Dewey, caught with wide-open scandal in the middle of the campaign, looked for fall-guys. As if he had never known the elaborate court Fay held at Sing Sing, Dewey abruptly transferred him to Dannemora, some 300 miles farther away from Manhattan; asked Wicks to resign. Wicks said he would, and would leave it up to his colleagues in the Senate to accept or reject the resignation.

Last week, charging the Governor had "broken faith" by persuading Senators to accept his resignation, Wicks said he would not resign. The GOP state exec. committee went into session in search of a formula to save GOP faces.

THE GANG: Item No. 2 on the agenda is race-track gambling, the tie-ins of racketeers in labor, politics and big business; the staffing of trotting tracks with men of long criminal—frequently homicidal—records. Typical of the lesser men dredged up in the campaign was George Florea, member of the exec. board of Racetrack Employees' Local 276. Florea's fingerprints neatly matched those found at the scene of a hold-up murder in Mt. Vernon in 1925. He was arrested, then freed, unassailable under the statute of limitations. The larger fry numbered bigwigs of both parties.

Final item is reapportionment, with GOP proposals to gerrymander state senatorial districts, cutting representation from Democratic Bronx and Brooklyn; increasing it from GOP strongholds, Queens and Nassau Co., chopping some Negro and Puerto Rican districts.

IGNORED ISSUES: Not on the agenda of this session or Dewey's previous session are the pressing problems of the state and city: the boosts in rent and fare. Democratic State Chairman Balch announced after election that the people had voted for a review of both in the Legislature. How far the Democrats would go to implement Balch's reading of the people's mandate would depend on how strenuously the people continued to push.

Paul Ross, chairman of the Municipal Affairs Commission of the ALP, started pushing last week with a letter to the Governor asking a new agenda to include restoration of the 10c fare (which would mean repealing the Transit Authority deal) and revoking the 15% rent rise. On reapportionment, the Ross letter asked that Negro and Puerto Rican districts be so drawn that the representation of these minorities be increased rather than cut.

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AMERICAN, 236 E. 3d St. Stone Flower (Czech.) & Rogue's Regiment, Nov. 19-20.

ART, 36 E. 8th St. 7 Deadly Sins (Fr.), thru Nov. 17.

BEVERLY, 3d Av. & 50th. Shaw's Caesar and Cleopatra, thru Nov. 14; The Mikado & The Winslow Boy (Br.), Nov. 15-18.

COLONY, 1519 2d Av. I Know Where I'm Going & Odd Man Out (both Br.), Nov. 15-16; Rome 11 O'Clock & Affair in Monte Carlo, Nov. 17-18.

8TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, 52 W. 8th Face to Face & Under the Red Sea (docum.), Nov. 14-17; The Four Poster, Nov. 18-24.

85TH ST. TRANSLUX, 85th & Madison. Limelight, Nov. 15-17.

55TH ST. PLAYHOUSE, 154 W. 55th. Miss Julie & Young and the Damned (Mexican film on delinquent boys), thru Nov. 17.

52D ST. TRANSLUX, Lexington & 52d. Lili, cont.

FINE ARTS, 58th bet. Park-Lexington. The Cruel Sea, (Br. docum.—type from Monsarrat novel, thru Nov. 15.

GRAMERCY, Lexington & 23d St. Rome 11 O'Clock & Affair in Monte Carlo, thru Nov. 14.

GREENWICH, Greenwich Av. & 12th St. Rome 11 O'Clock & Affair in Monte Carlo, Nov. 15-17; Man in the White Suit (Br., Guinness) & Browning Version, Nov. 18-21.

GUILD, 33 W. 50th. Martin Luther (docum. biog.), cont.

HEIGHTS, 150 Wadsworth Av. Justice Is Done (Fr.), Nov. 13-19.

HOLIDAY, B'way & 47th St. The Joe Louis Story, cont.

MIDTOWN, B'way & 100th St. 7 Deadly Sins, thru Nov. 17.

NORMANDIE, 110 W. 57th St. The Little Fugitive (Morris Engel-Ray Ashley Venice winner), cont.

PARIS, 4 W. 58th St. Captain's Paradise (Br., Guinness), cont.

72D ST. TRANSLUX, 346 E. 72d St. Queen Is Crowned & Desperate Moment (both Br.), thru Nov. 14; Ways of Love (It., with Magnani in The Miracle), Nov. 15-17.

STANLEY, 7th Av. at 41st St. Battle for China (docum.), cont.

SUTTON, 3d Av. & 57th St. Disney's Living Desert (full-length docum.), cont.

THALIA, B'way & 95th St. The Miracle & Rashomon, thru Nov. 14; Hobbes in Paradise (Fr., Jouvet-Fernandel) & Between 11 and Midnight (Jouvet), Nov. 16-18; Miss Julie & Cocteau's Beauty and the Beast, Nov. 18-20.

WAVERLY, 6th Av. & 3d St. Rome 11 O'Clock (It.) & Affair in Monte Carlo, Nov. 15-18; Return to Paradise & Melba, Nov. 19-20.

YORKTOWN, B'way & 89th St. Fanfan the Tulip (Fr.) & Gentle Gunman (Br.), Nov. 15-17; 7 Deadly Sins (Fr.) & Desperate Moment (Br.), Nov. 18-21.

Bronx

ASCOT, 2313 Gr. Concourse. Seven Deadly Sins, thru Nov. 17.

New Jersey & Upstate

WED., NOV. 18, 1 show at 8:40 p.m. The Sea Around Us: Kingston, Kingston, Community, Morristown & Carlton, Red Bank; Forbidden Games: Majestic, Perth Amboy, Community, Toms River & Community, Saratoga (8 p.m.). Lavender Hill Mob: Paramount, Long Branch, Thurs., Nov. 19.

Where to Go

Drama

HOME OF THE BRAVE, Arthur Laurents' 1945 B'way play on anti-Semitism. Hudson Guild Community Players, "N. Y.'s only non-commercial repertory." Hudson Guild, 436 W. 27th St. 8:40 p.m., Nov. 5, 6, 7, 13 & 14. 50c (members) & $1.

THE EMPEROR'S CLOTHES, by George Tabori, directed by David Pressman. Greenwich Mews interracial theater, 141 W. 13th St. Nightly except Mon. & Fri., 8:40 p.m. Reserv: TR 3-4810.

TAKE A GIANT STEP, first play by Negro playwright Louis Peterson. Presents problem rare for B'way; solution controversial. Lyceum, 47th St. E. of B'way. JU 2-3897.

THE WORLD OF SHOLOM ALEICHEM, 19th century Jewish humor dramatized by Arnold Perl. Barbizon-Plaza Theater, 58th & 6th Av. Tues.-Sun. eves., mats. Sat. & Sun. CO 5-7845.

CYRANO DE BERGERAC, Rostand's romantic drama with Jose Ferrer, Arlene Dahl. City Center, 131 W. 55th St. Nov. 11-Nov. 22. Tues.-Sun. eves. $1.20-$3.60. Sat. & Sun. mats. $1.20-$3..

OTHELLO, Shakespeare Guild Festival professional repertory. Jan Hus House, 351 E. 74th St. Thurs.-Sun. eves., 8:40. $1.20-$1.80; Sat. mat., 2:40. 78c-$1.20, thru Dec. 20. TR 9-5480.

Music

RAY LEV, concert pianist. First performances: Folk-Song Toccata, by Harold Triggs, dedicated to the pianist; Metallic Interlude, by Anna Ringler; Shostakovitch Prelude and Fugue (B-flat major, No. 21). Carnegie Hall, 154 W. 57th St. Fri., Nov. 20, 8:30 p.m. Tickets: $1.20-$3.60 at box office.

THE FOLK ELEMENT IN ART MUSIC, rare recordings and discussion by an authority in the field. Arts, Sciences & Professions Gallery, 35 W. 64th St. Fri., Nov. 13, 8:15 p.m. $1, members 85c.

Special

B'KLYN ACAD. OF MUSIC. Importance of Being Earnest, Sat., Nov. 14, 8:15 p.m.; The White Line (It., effects of war on Trieste's "little people"), Thurs., Nov. 19, 8:15 p.m. Lafayette Av. & Ashland Pl., $1.

CLUB CINEMA, 6th Av. bet. 9-10 Sts. 8:30 & 10 p.m. Fri., Sat. & Sun., Nov. 13-15.

"The Movies & How They Grew" —The "pash" or "great lover" phase: Valentino in Son of the Sheik.

MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, 11 W. 53d St. 3 & 5:30 p.m. daily.

Wuthering Heights (1939, Olivier, Oberon). Nov. 16-22.

N. Y. HISTORICAL SOC., Central Park W. & 77th St. 2 p.m. Free. Films set in N. Y. series. Miracle on 34th St., Sat., Nov. 14; The Old Maid (Bette Davis), Sat., Nov. 21.

"THE EMPEROR'S CLOTHES"
Alice Childress and R. Grahame Brown in a scene from George Tabori's play which is continuing at the Greenwich Mews Theater, 141 W. 13th St.

Miscellaneous

MEDICINE IN NORTH CHINA, Dr. Catherine Lealtad tells of her experiences there. Sponsor: ASP Health & Welfare Div. Also Film Div. Surprise Package. ASP Gallery, 35 W. 64th St. 8 p.m. Sat., Nov. 14. $1.

FORUM, Writer and the Fight for Peace, on Arthur Kahn's new book Brownstone, with Vicki Garvin, Doxey Wilkerson, Jesus Colon. Exhibit by 6 artists illustrating book. Vets for Peace, 77 5th Av., Sun., Nov. 15, 8 p.m. $1.

New theatre group at Bronx "Coops"

A new local theatre group is being formed to present new plays and revivals, not ordinarily performed commercially, at "The Coops," cooperative housing community in the NE Bronx. Performance will be arena-style in the Co-op auditorium, 2700 Bronx Pk. E. Professionals from any part of the city and neighborhood residents interested in drama will meet at 8 p.m. Fri., Nov. 20, in the Co-op library, Bronx Pk. E., just north of Allerton Av. For information call Robert Kidd, KI 7-9042.

MAILBAG

Future of the ALP

NEW YORK, N. Y.

I was shocked at the news of Marcantonio's resignation from the ALP. I can see little reason for this action on the part of this fighter for the rights of the oppressed people of this city who, in addition, led a determined struggle against the exponents of "lesser-evilism" within the ranks of his own party.

It is my conviction that the results of the election do not merit Marc's action. McAvoy polled 54,372 votes in this election, which was 2.5% of the total (Hallinan in 1952 received only 1.6% in New York City). If 50,000 votes are all that is required for the ALP to remain on the ballot, and the ALP can get 54,000 votes in a Mayoralty election, it should be able to poll even more in a Gubernatorial race.

At the present juncture the thing to strive for most of all is unity within the progressive movement. I personally believe Marc's action will only disillusion those progressives who believe that the ALP should continue to play an independent role by running its own candidates. It will also encourage those forces within the party who think that it should cease to play this role, and instead endorse so-called "New Deal" candidates. Thus, the final result of Marc's decision may well be the failure of the ALP to run a candidate for Governor in 1954.

I think the only way out of this dilemma is for the progressives outside the ALP to join forces with its rank-and-file members to resolve the tactical debate in favor of running candidates in 1954. In this regard, I agree completely with your editorial of Nov. 9 which stated: "Because of our firm belief in independent political action as the strongest weapon against bi-partisanism and for real democracy, the GUARDIAN most strongly urges continuance of the ALP as a ballot party in New York."

Richard Lyniah

EVENING IN THE THEATER

'The Ladies of the Corridor' — a keen and witty study

By Elmer Bendiner

DOROTHY PARKER and Arnaud D'Usseau have approached "the woman question" not with a sword or an axe but with a finely pointed probe. The result, **The Ladies of the Corridor**, depicts the slow death of women who are raised only to be wives. The worst that can be said of the play is that the sparkle of the dialogue and the spectacular acting leave the audience impressed as with a show of fireworks, so that the meaning creeps in slowly after it's over. The delayed reaction is nonetheless penetrating.

It may be argued that few American women spend the fag-end of their lives in loneliness so well upholstered as the Hotel Marlowe in Manhattan's East 60's. But these Marlowe women have aspects that are almost universal. They have been wives and mothers; with husbands dead and families grown they have no life left but the Marlowe where, as one of the play's still-living ladies remarks, "death is contagious."

COZY FRUSTRATION: The Marlowe ladies include one forever awaiting a Thanksgiving bid from her children; an arthritic enslaving her son out of her own frustration; a young woman separated from her husband who scans the wants ads for a way to use her talents. (She once spoke a good French "all in the present tense" and she's a whiz at flower arranging.) The young woman is driven to drink, prostitution and suicide.

A middle-aged woman from Akron felt liberated when her husband died and fled her home town (where kind friends kept telling her: "Don't sit in that dark old house by yourself. Let us drive you to the cemetery"). She falls in love with a younger man, and the scenes of this love affirm movingly that affection—even passion—is not confined to tremulous youth. The Akron lady, though, has been trained too badly and finds herself unequal to the give-and-take of love.

SALVATION BY WORK: The play is not a study in unredeemed frustration. True, the authors work no transformation in their ladies—and to remold them before the final curtain would be fantasy—but there is an answer in the play in the person of one supremely alive and useful woman; her husband left her no money. She works and therefore lives.

If this play does not speak for the working-class women, what it does say—in speaking in middle-class terms to a $4.40-a-seat audience — about present-day marriage, as a corrupter of women, is grimly and widely applicable. The show's wit makes the grimness—and some understanding, too—go down more easily.

THE LADIES OF THE CORRIDOR, by Arnaud D'Usseau and Dorothy Parker, directed by Harold Clurman. Longacre Theater, 48th St., W. of B'way.

Sobell Committee holds Open House in B'klyn

The Rosenberg-Sobell Committee of Boro Park and Bensonhurst in Brooklyn is launching its campaign to bring the facts in the Sobell Case to the community. It will hold an Open House Saturday eve., Nov. 14, at 2075 86th St., Brooklyn (West End express to 20th Av.), to receive people interested in spreading the facts. There will be a smorgasbord table, entertainment, dancing and games. Admission is $1.25, the proceeds going to help the committee in its work.

Events for Children

Films

AMER. MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY, Central Park W. at 79th St. Life of the Nile River Valley, Sat., Nov. 21, 2 p.m. Free.

MUSEUM OF CITY OF N. Y., 5th Av. & 103d St. Lincoln Speaks at Gettysburg & Matthew Brady, Photographer of an Era, Sat., Nov. 21, 11 a.m. & 3 p.m.

N. Y. BOTANICAL GARDENS, Bronx Park. Disney adventure films: Beaver Valley & Nature's Half Acre, Sat., Nov. 21, 3:30 p.m. Museum Bldg. Free.

N. Y. HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Central Park W. at 77th St. Sat., Nov. 21, 10 a.m. The American Revolution (film-strip talk), for H. S. Students. Program followed by guided gallery tour; tickets obtainable from H. S. Social Studies Chairman. Free.

B'KLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC, 30 Lafayette Av. Shane & newsreel, Wed., Nov. 18, 4 p.m. Adm. $1.

85TH ST. TRANS-LUX, 85th St. & Madison. Hills of Home, Sat., Nov. 14. Children 30c, adults 60c.

N. Y. HISTORICAL SOCIETY, Central Park W. at 77th St. Sat., Nov. 14, 2 p.m. Miracle on 34th St. Young children must be accompanied by an adult. Free.

Plays

THE SHOEMAKER AND THE ELVES, & variety show of Mexican songs, dances, games. Children's Own Theater, Metropolitan Duane, 201 W. 13th St., cor. 7th Av. Sats., Nov. 21 & 28 and Fri., Nov. 27, 3 p.m. Adm. 76c, $1.20 & $1.80. PL 7-6300.

INDIAN TALES AND DANCES, by Chief Tom Two Arrows. Henry St. Playhouse, 466 Grand St. Sat., Nov. 21, 3 p.m. Children 10c, adults 60c.

FIVE LITTLE PEPPERS AND HOW THEY GREW, by Junior Theater, Carnegie Recital Hall, 154 W. 57th St. Fri., Nov. 27 & Sat., Nov. 28, 2:15 p.m. Adm. $1.20, $1.80 & $2.40.

Miscellaneous

STORY HOUR: Museum of City of N. Y., 5th Av. & 103d St. Sat., Nov. 21, 2 p.m. Thanksgiving Day Stories. Free.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERT, Philharmonic Symphony Society of N. Y. Wilfrid Pelletier conducting. Jonah and the Whale, second of a series of three concerts for children 5-8 years. Town Hall, 123 W. 43d St. Sat., Nov. 21, 3 p.m. $1-3.

RAY LEV — Baldwin Piano — Fri. Eve., Nov. 20 — CARNEGIE HALL — Tickets at box office — $1.20 and up — RAY LEV

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White House and Democrats in deal to keep Walter-McCarran Immigration Act unchanged

By Eugene Gordon

WHEN, the day before last Christmas, the McCarran-Walter law recodifying all U.S. immigration and naturalization laws "established a dictatorship over 14 million foreign-born residents" (**March of Labor,** Aug.), protests and denunciations came from most of the country's trade union and civic organizations. Three months ago Sen. Herbert H. Lehman (D-N.Y.) introduced an omnibus bill for a new recodification of the laws, with sponsorship of seven Senators and 24 Representatives including Brooklyn's Rep. Celler (Dem.), Sen. Morse (Ind.-Ore.).

Urgings of Administration support for Lehman's bill were equally broad; President Eisenhower was loudly reminded that, before election, he had promised "a better law" would be written "that will strike an intelligent, unbigoted balance." But the **N.Y. Times** (9/24) reported that revision of McCarran-Walter "at the next session of Congress" was ruled out "under terms of an understanding" which had helped to pass, instead, a bill giving 241,000 "refugees" haven in the U.S. Said the **Times:**

> The understanding is so firm that Rep. Francis E. Walter (D-Pa.) plans to move at the first meeting of the House Judiciary Commitee in 1953 to table all 24 bills that have been offered to overhaul the basic act. The major point of the understanding, originating at the top level of the Senate, is that there shall be no amendments to the McCarran-Walter Law of any nature at the next session. It was stressed that even one amendment would open up the whole act to change. . . .

FIGHT GOES ON: Pointing out that the people have been known before to upset even "top-level" plans and "understandings," the American Comm. for Protection of Foreign Born has called a national conference to repeal the law and defend its victims in Chicago for Dec. 12-13. The recently-formed Non-Partisan Comm. Against the Walter-McCarran Law (Joseph Navarra, chairman; 1138-58th St., B'klyn, N.Y.) was working toward a similar conference in New York. The Natl Comm. to Repeal the McCarran Acts (2 Stone St., N.Y.C. 4) released an open letter to the President signed by 54 leading

THEY WERE FIVE—THE LAW WANTS TO MAKE THEM THREE
This is the family of Benny Saltzman, a painter, caught in a Walter-McCarran web. L. to r.: Mrs. Sadie Saltzman, Bernard (wounded in World War II), Isidore (killed in the Battle of the Bulge) and Benny Saltzman.

churchmen, scientists, educators and writers urging support of Lehman's bill, in face of a reported "pact with the Administration" barring any change in the law. These and other groups promised no slackening in the fight as long as the law remains a law under which:

- Aliens may be deported for political views and for activities which were legal when committed;
- Citizenship may be revoked for activities since it was granted, as well as for "concealing material facts" when obtaining it;
- Anyone "believed to be an alien" may be arrested without warrant, held without bail;
- All aliens must carry "passes," submit to unrestricted harassment from the Atty. General who has police-state power over them;
- Racist (Nordic, "Aryan") quotas are set for new immigration.

LABOR'S STAKE: Indicating the grim effect of the law far beyond the foreign-born and their families, **March of Labor** thus illustrated what it means to organized labor:

> A big strike is on. The workers are out solid. It looks like they're going to win that wage increase. Then suddenly the strike leader is thrown in jail, charged with being a "subversive alien," held indefinitely for possible deportation. . . .
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> Its' the McCarran-Walter law in action. It's what actually happened not long ago to a group of striking bus drivers in Long Island. . . . Agents of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service can do this under Sec. 287 (a) of the Walter-McCarran Act. . . .

HUMBLE VICTIMS: A consistent press black-out has left almost unknown to average Americans the mass persecution, under the law, of their foreign-born neighbors and their families. Some cases involving prominent progressives (e.g., longshore leader Harry Bridges; GUARDIAN editor Cedric Belfrage; Korean architect David Hyun; Communist Party leader Claudia Jones, convicted under the Smith Act and threatened with deportation to the West Indies) have received a measure of publicity. But ACPFB asst. secy. Alec Jones pointed out last week that the "snakes" whom Atty. Gen. Brownell said he was driving "from our shores" under the law are

> . . . not in the main the kind whose arrests are headlined. They are family folks; folks who have sweated to make an honest living; folks who have done nothing that could possibly be considered a threat to the security of the nation—except in the minds of the McCarthys and McCarrans.

CAUGHT IN THE NET: To illustrate, Jones named these as "typical of the more than 300 persons" who have been arrested for deportation:

PAUL CINAT, 58, Clinton Corners, N.Y.; born in Yugoslavia; father of three; member of AFL Intl. Foundry Workers. Has lived in U.S. 40 years.

JOE DUMAS, 60, Charleston, W. Va. (Yugoslavia). Spent most of his 40 years in U.S. coal mines. Suffering from silicosis, left mines and, despite handicap, became expert mechanic.

ELIAS ESPINOZA, 53, Orange, Calif. (Mexico). Father of eight U.S.-born children, skilled mechanic.

EMMA AND WERNER GRONDAHL, Manhattan Beach, Calif. Wife, 63 (Sweden), in U.S. 34 years; husband (Finland), here 49 years.

MARIE KRATOCHVIL, 70, Chicago; in U.S. 47 years. Mother of five daughters, grandmother and great-grandmother.

HAMISH SCOTT McKAY, 48, Portland, Ore.; Canadian, in U.S. 25 years; carpenter; father of two.

JOE PRUDENCIO, 39, Woodinville, Wash. (Philippines); father of two.

IDA GOTTESMAN, 59, N.Y.C. (Hungary), in U.S. 43 years. Member of Amalgamated Clothing Workers; caring for ill sister.

BENNY SALTZMAN, 58, N.Y.C. (Russia); 40 years in U.S., working as painter. One of three sons killed in World War II.

LOUIS RAGNI, 51, Detroit (Italy), in U.S. 29 years. Member of AFL operating engineers; 3 of his 5 children veterans.

GIACOMO QUATTRONE, 64, Boston (Italy), in U.S. 48 years; father of eight; member of Amalgamated Clothing Workers; in jail since Jan., 1952.

MARY TODOVICH, 58, Cleveland (Yugoslavia), in U.S. 30 years; mother of eight and grandmother of 15.

BLAGA POPROVSKA, 49, Detroit (Yugoslavia), in U.S. 30 years; two of four children World War II veterans.

HOW TO HELP: The ACPFB has legal action under way in all these cases "to keep these men and women here with their families and friends." It suggests these helpful actions:

Write to Congressmen urging support of the move to force the Lehman bill (S. 2585—H.R. 6820) out of committee and into public hearing. Organize delegations to Congressmen who can be reached at their homes. Write to the chairmen of the Senate and House judiciary committees demanding repudiation of the "top-level understanding" and that the Administration's pledge to amend the McCarran-Walter Law be honored. Plan community action, with distribution of material explaining the meaning of this law. (See the new pamphlet on McCarran-Walter, "Police State Terror Against the Foreign Born," by Abner Green, ACPFB, 23 W. 26 St., N.Y.C. 10; 25c.) Circularize other organizations. Present speakers at public meetings. Aim for an action conference before Congress reconvenes next January.

In Memoriam: Norman H. Tallentire

ON Sunday, Nov. 8, a fatal heart attack put an end to U.S. government efforts to deport 67-year-old Norman H. Tallentire, British-born trade unionist and political figure. A U.S. resident since 1916, he was arrested in 1951 for deportation under the 1950 McCarran Act for membership in the Communist Party from 1919 to 1938. Despite a serious heart condition which forced his retirement from work at his trade of carpentry in 1948, he was held on Ellis Island for 23 days until eventually released in $3,500 bail. A committee of citizens from all walks of life, with artist Rockwell Kent as honorary chairman and Vito Marcantonio as legal counsel, had worked to prevent his deportation. On Sept. 17, while important legal steps were in process, he was served with an immediate deportation order with departure booked for Sept. 23. An injunction forestalled this and late in October a defense application was granted to have the case heard by a three-judge court in Washington on questions of law which might have provided the basis for a test of the constitutionality of the McCarran Act. Tallentire's heart condition was seriously aggravated during this period. His death terminated this action.

Norman Henderson Tallentire was a huge, handsome, lovable and richly-cultured artisan whose skilled hand helped build many of the nation's mightiest projects in his working years in the U.S.

Son of a miner and lay Methodist preacher, he started work at 13 as a carpenter apprentice in the mines of Durham Co., England, was a union officer at 16. He came to Canada in 1907, helped lead a fight against a labor frame-up in Calgary in 1912 during construction on the Grand Trunk Grade. The Tom Mooney frame-up occurred the year he entered the U.S. The young carpenter enlisted in this fight, and in all the years since his great eloquence and boundless energy have been a part of every campaign for human dignity.

A lover of poetry (James Russell Lowell was his favorite) his speeches and correspondence sparkled with appropriate bits of great verse. In a letter to a friend on his 67th birthday last month he wrote:

"Everything good and everything much to be desired in my life has come from my participation in this movement. And I hope that I am able to continue to the end, whenever the end may come, that when it does come they may be able to say of me as St. Paul was able to say: **'I have fought a good fight, I have finished the course, and I have kept the faith.'"**

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State of the Nation will run Fri., Sat. and Sun. eves only, for at least 14 nights at the Armenian Center, 1501 Venice Blvd., Los Angeles. The dates are Jan. 8, 9, 10; Jan. 15, 16, 17; Jan. 22, 24; Jan. 29, 30, 31; Feb. 5, 6, 7. Admission: $1.20, tax incl.

WHO THEY ARE: ASP Field Theatre is a flourishing troupe of diehards who have refused to accept Velde and McCarthy as the final arbiters of what can be produced on a theatre stage. Many of its actors, writers and directors, have been blacklisted by the Un-American Committee; others have been blacklisted because of their race by Hollywood practice and custom before the Un-American Committee came down the pike. They comprise a theatre of a vitality which offers a blueprint for cultural activity elsewhere.

Organizations wishing to take blocks of tickets for **The State of the Nation** on a profit-sharing basis (33⅓% discount on blocks of 100 tickets or more; 20% from 50 to 100) are urged to contact Tiba Willner, GUARDIAN Los Angeles representative. The phone is WEbster 1-9478.

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Happy Birthday!

Starke, Fla., says "Happy Birthday and a vigorous growth." Parkston, S.D., writes it can't have a Guardian Birthday Party but "we'll drink a toast with apple cider to you folks" ($5 birthday present enclosed). Coeur d'Alene, Ida., is having a party "in the near future." Denver has set the date: it will be a New Year's Eve party for the GUARDIAN. Honolulu is going to try. Springfield, Mass., says "Relax—a party for the GUARDIAN is in the works."

FREEDOMS

Daniels cousins die after 4-year fight

BENNIE and Lloyd Ray Daniels, 22- and 21-year-old Negro cousins, died in N. Carolina's gas chamber Nov. 6. An all-white N. Carolina jury convicted them in 1949 of killing a white taxi driver; both claimed to have been elsewhere at the time of the murder, and a potentially vital witness, whom police were said to have picked up but released, was never called. Typed "confessions" in legal jargon played a determining part in the trial; Bennie could write his name, Lloyd could not read or write.

The Daniels were to have been executed last May 29 with Clyde Brown, 22—found guilty of raping a white girl who testified she did not recall being raped—and Raleigh Spelier, 51, a mental defective charged with raping an elderly white woman. U.S. Supreme Court Justice Vinson ordered the stay for the cousins so they could appeal again to the State Supreme Court. The court had refused to review on the technicality that the appeal came one day late (the trial court having held the records past the legal filing date).

WHITE JURIES: The Speller, Brown, and Daniels cases were linked together by a dominant issue: exclusion of Negroes from jury service. The U.S. Supreme Court last Feb. 9 heard the three cases together; ruled on the first two that N. Carolina had lessened discrimination against Negroes by selecting jurors from tax lists, and on the third that N. Carolina's Supreme Court did right to refuse review on the technicality.

Justice Black dissented in the first; Black, Douglas and Frankfurter in the second. The U.S. Supreme Court never reviewed the Daniels trial.

WRONG SKIN: The Negro press, which pointed out during the trials that N. Carolina has never executed a white man for rape, published two stories of "Strange Justice." One, datelined St. George, S.C., begins:

> A white man was convicted here last week on the lesser charge of assault and battery of a high and aggravated nature against a 12-year-old Negro girl. He is D. P. James of Charleston Heights, who was charged with assault with intent to ravish. Conviction on the lesser charge quashed the indictment on the more serious charge. (Baltimore **Afro-American**, 11/7).

The other is datelined Jacksonville, Fla.:

> A 22-year-old Negro must die for a crime with which he was charged, while two white men's lives were spared for allegedly committing the same type of crime. Last Friday [Oct. 30] Circuit Court Judge Charles A. Luckey, in a lengthy, typed-in-advance opinion, declared unconstitutional that part of a 1953 legislature act which prescribed a maximum sentence of 25 years imprisonment for the rape of a child under 14 years. Judge Luckey's action came in the case of Charles Copeland, 22, who had been found guilty of raping a 13-year-old white girl in Jacksonville. As a result, Copeland was sentenced to death in the electric chair.
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> In the meantime a Jacksonville jury recommended mercy for Lawrence Cousineau, white, who was convicted Oct. 22 for the rape of a 10-year-old girl. As a result, Cousineau can be sentenced anywhere from one year to life.
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> In nearby McClenney, Charles Morris, 31, white, was convicted of raping a 13-year-old Negro girl. The jury also recommended mercy in his case. (Pittsburgh **Courier**, 11/7).

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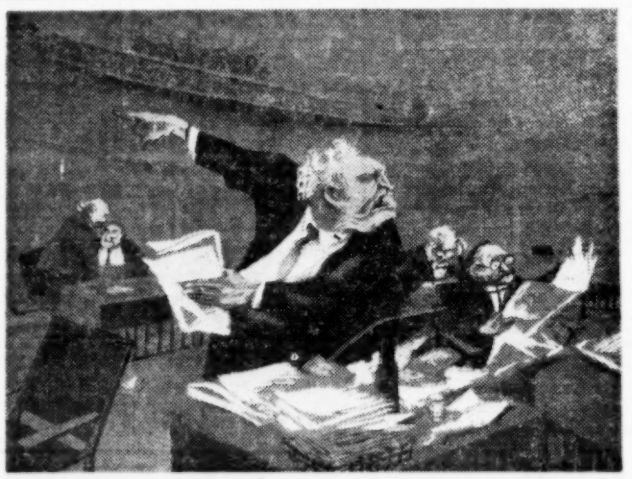

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THE Post Office Dept. has taken another big step toward establishing an official U.S. press censorship by holding up two issues of **New World Review**, 21-year-old monthly (formerly **Soviet Russia Today**) dealing with life in the socialist world. Last April the Post Office banned from the mails that month's issue of **Vet's Voice** (GUARDIAN, 7/13) under Section 36.5 of the postal laws which declares non-mailable "any matter advocating or urging treason, insurrection or forcible resistance to any law of the U.S." **New World Review**, like **Vet's Voice**, questioned Washington's version of the origins of the Korean War, advocated a negotiated peace there from the outset, criticized U.S. cold-war foreign policy. In an "Open Letter" Nov. 9, **NWR**'s editors said that far from "advocating" any of the things listed in Section 36.5 they "strongly oppose" them, but

> . . . the U.S. Post Office is engaged in an attempt to destroy **NWR** by denying it the normal use of the mails. This is a matter of grave moment to all Americans concerned with preserving our constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech and press. . . . It opens the door to censorship of any publication containing material which in the view of a post office official in Washington is not in line with the policies of the current Administration.

IT'S "VIOLATIVE": The editors said they had been informed by the Post Office Dept. last May that four previous issues were "regarded as non-mailable," and further issues would have to be examined before mailing. When the September issue went to the post office it was held there 18 days before Washington gave it clearance. On Oct. 18, the Post Office made its first statement as to why the previous issues were declared non-mailable:

> . . . I can only advise you generally that it is the opinion of this office that the magazine issues in question contain matter non-mailable under Section 36.5 . . . insofar as it applies to publications violative of the provisions of Section 2388 of Title 18. [The latter refers to matter which "during war" is "intended to interfere with the operation or success of the military or naval forces of the U.S. or to promote the success of its enemies. . . ."]

REAFFIRMATION: As of Nov. 9, the October **NWR** had already been held up in the post office for over two weeks.

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No specific reasons for the action were forthcoming, but the **N.Y. Times** (11/9) reported an "informal indication" that "the Post Office might have considered as a false report a contention [by the Dean of Canterbury in **NWR** for Sept. 1952] that the U.S. had engaged in germ warfare in Korea."

The Sept., 1953, **NWR** contained the following: A Russian short story about a camel; articles on Malenkov's report, the Budapest Youth Congress, the cost of living in Poland, poets in the Czech government, painless childbirth in China, minorities in Rumania; an editorial, "Negotiate, Negotiate, Negotiate." In the still-unmailed October issue, **NWR**'s editors defend "Our Right to Publish—Your Right to Read" by pointing to the magazine's "almost 22 years of uninterrupted publication of material designed to promote international understanding and peace." Referring to the effects on already dwindling U.S. prestige of continued "book-burnings," library and school bans on such publications as **The Nation**, the **Vet's Voice** case and jail and deportation threats against progressive editors, the **NWR** editors wrote:

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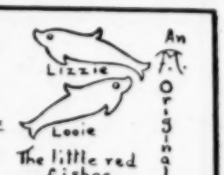

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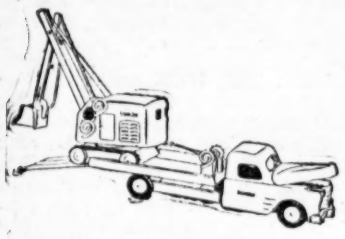

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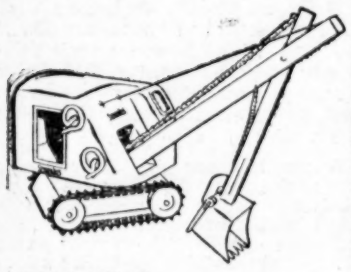

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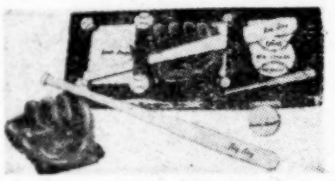

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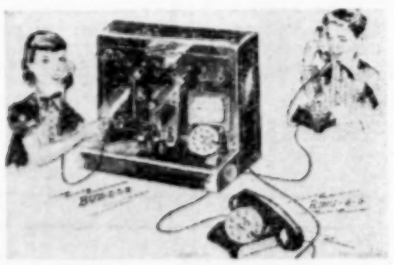

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6	.26	.43	.49	.59	.73	.88	1.06	1.23
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8	.29	.51	.60	.73	.91	1.12	1.37	1.59
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10	.32	.59	.70	.87	1.10	1.36	1.67	1.95
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15	.39	.79	.96	1.21	1.56	1.96	2.43	2.85
16	.40	.83	1.01	1.28	1.65	2.08	2.58	3.03
17	.42	.87	1.06	1.35	1.74	2.20	2.74	3.21
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